

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of: Makoto Akune

Serial No. : 10/079,800

Filed : February 20, 2002

For : DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD

Date : January 31, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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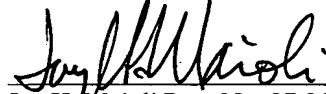
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 3, 2005,  
Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified  
application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of  
claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begins on page 24 of this Amendment.